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1. Attached is a report of traffic on the Trans-Caspian Railroad through Dushak, Turkmen SSR, and of road traffic to and from Dushak for the period 1 through 21 August 1953.

2. [] the days on which [] not able to observe traffic because of inclement weather, thereby indicating the number of days of poor visibility in the area. [] unable to obtain data on the contents of the trains or vehicles, or to observe night traffic.

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3. The discrepancy between the total for vehicular traffic on 5 August as given on page 9 and the individual breakdown for the same date on page 3 has not been explained.

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Enclosure: Photostat of report on road and rail traffic through Dushak (9 pages) (State 4, Army 4, Navy 2, Air 4, OCD 4)

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>TRAFFIC</u>	<u>DIRECTION</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>RAIL</u>	<u>NO. OF CARS</u>	<u>TYPE VEHICLE</u>	
3/8/53	Rail	westbound	0700	1 train,	20 boxcars 4 axle and		
		westbound		14 boxcars 2 axle, all red.			
		westbound	0730	1 train,	6 flat cars 4 axle, 43 flat cars 2 axle and 1 boxcar 2 axle, all red.		
		eastbound	0910	1 train,	32 boxcars 4 axle and 1 boxcar 2 axle, all red.		
		westbound	1000	1 train,	14 passenger cars 4 axle and 1 passenger car 2 axle, all green.		
		eastbound	1140	1 train,	2 locomotives, 38 tank cars 4 axle and 24 tank cars 2 axle, all red.		
		eastbound	1215	1 train,	13 boxcars 2 axle, 8 flat cars 2 axle, 13 flat cars 2 axle and 17 boxcars boxcars 4 axle, all red.		
		westbound	1412	1 train,	24 tank cars 4 axle and 15 tank cars 2 axle, all red.		
		eastbound	1500	1 train,	17 hopper cars 4 axle and 4 hopper cars 2 axle, all red.		
		westbound	1640	1 green locomotive.			
		eastbound	1700	1 train,	2 white boxcars 4 axle and 19 boxcars 4 axle, all red.		
		Road	Bulan to Dushak	0617	1 green jeep.		
			Dushak to Serakhs	0810	1 army truck.		
			Dushak to Kaakha	1015	1 army truck.		
Dushak to Kaakha	1030		1 army truck.				
Dushak to Tedzhend	1100		1 army truck.				
Serakhs to Dushak	1315		1 army truck, covered.				
North to Dushak	1425		1 army truck.				
Dushak to Tedzhend	1620		1 jeep.				
Dushak to Post-i-Shur-jeh	1630	1 black army truck.					

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>TRAFFIC</u>	<u>DIRECTION</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>Rail:</u> <u>Road:</u>	<u>No. of Cars</u> <u>Type Vehicle</u>
4/8/58	Rail	westbound	0600	1 train,	5 boxcars 4 axle, 6 flat cars 4 axle, 4 flat cars 2 axle, 11 4 hopper cars 2 axle and 11 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
		eastbound	0620	1 train,	2 locomotives, 30 boxcars 4 axle and 6 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	0900	1 train,	20 tank cars 4 axle and 44 tank cars 2 axle, all red.
		eastbound	0910	1 train,	12 boxcars 4 axle, 3 flat cars 4 axle, 5 flat cars 2 axle and 14 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	1130	1 train,	15 passenger cars 4 axle and 1 passenger car 2 axle, all green.
		eastbound	1215	1 train,	2 locomotives, 48 tank cars 4 axle, all red.
		westbound	1300	1 green locomotive.	
		eastbound	1450	1 train,	2 locomotives, 25 boxcars 4 axle, 6 flat cars 2 axle and 10 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	1515	1 train,	3 boxcars 4 axle, 12 gondola cars 4 axle, 7 gondola cars 2 axle, 5 flat cars 2 axle, 4 hopper cars 2 axle, 2 tank cars 2 axle and 5 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
		eastbound	1700	1 train,	36 red tank cars 2 axle.
		Road	Dushak to Tedzhend	0714	1 army truck.
			Dushak to Post-i-Shurjeh	0735	1 red jeep.
			Dushak to Serakhs	0900	1 army truck.
			Dushak to Kaakha	0920	1 army truck.
Dushak to Kaakha	1325		1 army truck.		
Serakhs to Dushak	1400		1 army truck.		
Dushak to Post-i-Khojeh	1610	1 jeep.			
5/8/58	Rail	eastbound	0720	1 train,	2 locomotives, 9 gondola cars 4 axle, 7 gondola cars 2 axle, 4 boxcars 4 axle, 6 flat cars 2 axle, 3 tank cars 2 axle, 4 hopper cars 2 axle and 8 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	0815	1 train,	17 tank cars 4 axle and 14 tank cars 2 axle, all red.
		eastbound	1032	1 train,	10 boxcars 4 axle, 4 flat cars 4 axle, 3 flat cars 2 axle and 16 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	1130	1 train,	26 red boxcars 4 axle and 1 extra large white boxcar.
		westbound	1215	1 train,	10 white boxcars 4 axle.
		eastbound	1410	1 train,	2 locomotives, 20 tank cars 4 axle and 20 tank cars 2 axle, all red.

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5/8/53 (Cont'd)	Rail	westbound	1430		1 train, 24 boxcars 4 axle, 5 flat cars 2 axle and 12 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		eastbound	1615		1 train, 2 locomotives, 3 boxcars 4 axle, 18 flat cars 2 axle and 10 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		eastbound	1715		1 train, 1X steam locomotive, 13 hopper cars 4 axle, and 1 hopper car 2 axle, all red.	
	Road	Dushak to Post-i-Khojeh	0740		1 army truck, covered.	
		Dushak to Tedzhend	0812		1 army truck.	
		Dushak to Tedzhend	0910		1 army truck.	
		North to Dushak	1100		1 army truck.	
		Sarakhs to Dushak	1300		1 jeep.	
		Dushak to Kaakha	1325		1 army truck.	
		Dushak to Kaakha	1500		1 army truck.	
Dushak to Bulan	1615		1 black army truck.			
9/8/53	Rail	westbound	0530		1 train, 2 locomotives, 32 boxcars 4 axle, 8 flat cars 2 axle and 9 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		eastbound	0630		1 train, 14 boxcars 4 axle, 22 boxcars 2 axle, all red and 2 extra large white boxcars*.	
		westbound	0815		1 train, 16 tank cars 4 axle and 30 tank cars 2 axle, all red.	
		eastbound	0900		1 train, 8 boxcars 4 axle, 4 flat cars 2 axle, 2 flat cars 4 axle and 10 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		westbound	1100		1 train, 15 green pass. cars 4 axle.	
		eastbound	1130		1 train, 2 locomotives, 52 tank cars 4 axle, all red.	
		westbound	1320		1 train, 26 flat cars 2 axle, 2 boxcars 4 axle and 6 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		eastbound	1400		1 train, 37 tank cars 2 axle and 8 tank cars 2 axle, all red.	
		westbound	1545		2 green locomotives.	
		eastbound	1650		1 train, 3 boxcars 4 axle, 10 gondola cars 4 axle, 11 gondola cars 2 axle, 5 flat cars 2 axle, 2 tank cars 4 axle and 12 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		Road	Bulan to Post-i-Shurjeh	0800		1 green army truck.
			Dushak to Kaakha	0917		1 army truck.
			Dushak to Serakhs	0935		1 truck.
			Aqcheh Qaleh to Dushak	1015		1 army truck.
			Dushak to Serakhs	1025		1 army truck.

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9/8/53	Road	Dushak to Kaakha	1012	1 army truck.	
(Cont'd)		Dushak to Tedzhend	1316	1 army truck.	
		North to Dushak	1400	2 army trucks.	
		Post-i-Khojeh to Dushak	1418	1 army jeep.	
		Post-i-Shurjeh to Dushak	1510	1 army truck.	
		Dushak to Kaakha	1530	1 jeep.	
		Serakhs to Dushak	1710	1 green truck, covered.	
10/8/53	Rail	westbound	0720	1 train, 14 boxcars 4 axle, 1 flat car 2 axle and 2 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		eastbound	0745	1 train, 8 boxcars 4 axle, 5 boxcars 2 axle and 8 flat cars 2 axle, all red.	
		westbound	0830	2 green locomotives.	
		eastbound	1000	1 train, 40 tank cars 4 axle and 8 tank cars 2 axle, all red.	
		westbound	1040	1 train, 12 boxcars 4 axle, 6 flat cars 2 axle, 4 flat cars 4 axle, 1 tank car 2 axle and 7 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		eastbound	1300	1 train, 2 locomotives, 16 boxcars 4 axle, 17 boxcars 2 axle, 7 flat cars 2 axle, all red and 2 extra large white boxcars*.	
		westbound	1315	1 train, 30 red tank cars 2 axle.	
		eastbound	1530	1 train, 8 gondola cars 4 axle, 11 gondola cars 2 axle, 7 boxcars 4 axle, 14 boxcars 2 axle and 2 tank cars 2 axle, all red.	
		eastbound	1600	1 train, 20 boxcars 4 axle, 5 flat cars 2 axle and 17 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		westbound	1700	1 train, steam locomotive, 12 hopper cars 4 axle, all red.	
	Road	Dushak to Buhan	0520	1 army truck.	
		Serakhs to Dushak	0535	1 army truck.	
		Dushak to Kaakha	0810	1 army truck.	
		Post-i-Khojeh to Dushak	0920	1 jeep.	
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1100	1 army truck.	
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1230	1 army truck.	
		Dushak to Post-i-Shurjeh	1525	1 army truck.	
11/8/53	Rail	westbound	0610	1 train, 15 boxcars 4 axle and 13 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		westbound	0715	2 green locomotives.	
		eastbound	0900	1 train, 40 tank cars 4 axle and 15 tank cars 2 axle, all red.	
		westbound	0940	1 train, 9 boxcars 4 axle and 2 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	

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11/3/53 (Cont'd)	Rail	eastbound	1130	1 train,	18 boxcars 4 axle, 4 flat cars 4 axle, 7 flat cars 2 axle, 7 hopper cars 2 axle and 11 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		westbound	1200	1 train,	15 passenger cars 4 axle and 1 passenger car 2 axle, all green.	
		eastbound	1400	1 train,	2 locomotives, 28 tank cars 4 axle and 20 tank cars 2 axle, all red.	
		eastbound	1435	1 green locomotive.		
		westbound	1630	1 train,	2 boxcars 4 axle, 8 gondola cars 4 axle, 5 gondola cars 2 axle, 4 flat cars 4 axle, 2 flat cars 2 axle and 10 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
		Road	Dushak to Serakhs	0715	1 army truck.	
			Dushak to Kaakha	0815	1 army truck.	
			Dushak to North	0832	1 army truck.	
	Dushak to Kaakha		1100	1 army truck.		
	Serakhs to Dushak		1117	1 green army truck,, covered.		
	Dushak to Tedzhend		1320	1 army truck.		
	Dushak to Bulan	1535	1 army truck.			
	12/3/53	Rail	westbound	0710	1 train,	12 flat cars 2 axle, 17 boxcars 4 axle and 15 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
			eastbound	0730	1 train,	12 flat cars 2 axle, 16 boxcars 4 axle and 6 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
westbound			0900	1 green locomotive.		
westbound			1015	1 train,	45 tank cars 4 axle and 20 tank cars 2 axle, all red.	
eastbound			1130	1 train,	13 boxcars 4 axle and 5 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
westbound			1430	1 train,	2 locomotives, 10 flat cars 2 axle, 7 boxcars 4 axle, 38 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
eastbound			1435	1 train,	18 boxcars 4 axle, 4 boxcars 2 axle, 3 flat cars 4 axle and 8 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
westbound			1620	1 train,	16 boxcars 4 axle, 3 tank cars 4 axle, 3 flat cars 2 axle and 8 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	
eastbound			1700	1 train,	13 boxcars 4 axle, 6 flat cars 2 axle and 10 boxcars 2 axle, all red.	

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12/8/53	Road	Dushak to Tedzhend	0618		1 army truck.
(Cont'd)		Dushak to North	0640		1 army truck.
		Serakhs to Dushak	0710		1 black army truck.
		Serakhs to Dushak	0900		1 green truck.
		Dushak to Kaakha	0930		1 army truck.
		Dushak to Post-i-Khojeh	0937		1 small black truck.
		Dushak to Kaakha	1025		1 jeep.
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1417		1 army truck.
		Bulan to Dushak	1515		1 green jeep.
13/8/53	Rail	westbound	0500		1 train, 7 flat cars 4 axle, 10 box-cars 4 axle and 4 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
		eastbound	0615		1 train, 2 locomotives, 7 tank cars 2 axle and 16 tank cars 4 axle, all red.
		eastbound	0730		1 train, 5 boxcars 2 axle, 2 flat cars 4 axle, 12 boxcars 4 axle, all red and 5 extra large white boxcars.
		westbound	0800		1 train, 35 tank cars 4 axle and 15 tank cars 2 axle, all red.
		eastbound	0930		1 train, 3 flat cars 4 axle, 5 flat cars 2 axle, 32 boxcars 2 axle and 1 tank car 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	0945		1 train, 4 flat cars 2 axle, 1 flat car 4 axle, 4 tank cars 4 axle, 2 boxcars 2 axle and 9 boxcars 4 axle, all red.
		eastbound	1015		1 train, 2 boxcars 4 axle, 1 boxcar 2 axle and 17 tank cars 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	1130		1 train, 13 passenger cars 4 axle and 1 boxcar 4 axle, all white.
		eastbound	1210		1 train, 33 flat cars 2 axle and 1 boxcar 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	1315		1 train, 32 tank cars 4 axle, all red.
		eastbound	1400		1 train, 1 passenger car 4 axle, 10 boxcars 4 axle, all green and 2 boxcars 4 axle, red.
		westbound	1500		1 train, 23 boxcars 4 axle, 5 flat cars 2 axle and 9 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
		eastbound	1535		1 train, 19 tank cars 4 axle and 6 tank cars 2 axle, all red.
	Road	Post-i-Shurjeh to Post-i-Khojeh	0450		1 army truck.
		Dushak to Tedzhend	0530		1 army truck.
		Dushak to Kaakha	0600		1 army truck.
		Dushak to Tedzhend	0630		1 army truck.

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13/8/53	Road	Sarakhs to Dushak	0630		1 army truck.
(Cont'd)		Post-i-Khojeh to Post-i-Shurjeh	0710		1 army truck.
		Dushak to North	0740		1 army truck.
		Post-i-Shurjeh to Post-i-Khojeh	0745		1 army truck.
		Dushak to Fedzhend	0750		1 army truck.
		Sarakhs to Dushak	0810		1 army truck.
		Post-i-Shurjeh to Dushak	0830		1 black army truck.
		Dushak to Post-i-Shurjeh	0845		1 small army truck.
		Dushak to Kaakha	0900		1 army truck.
		Post-i-Shurjeh to Dushak	0914		1 truck.
		Post-i-Khojeh to Dushak	0945		1 army truck.
		Sarakhs to Dushak	1312		1 army truck.
		Post-i-Khojeh to Dushak	1330		1 army jeep.
		Dushak to Post-i-Shurjeh	1350		1 truck.
		Post-i-Shurjeh to Dushak	1450		Above truck returning.
		Dushak to Post-i-Shurjeh	1510		1 truck.
		Dushak to Fedzhend	1600		1 army jeep.
20/8/53	Rail	westbound	0500		1 train, 2 locomotives, 36 tank cars 4 axle & 31 tank cars 2 axle, all red.
		eastbound	0515		1 train, 2 locomotives, 4 tank cars 2 axle, 37 tank cars 4 axle and 1 flat car 4 axle, all red.
		westbound	0800		1 train, 10 boxcars 4 axle, 10 flat cars 2 axle and 12 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
		eastbound	0810		1 train, 10 boxcars 4 axle, 14 boxcars 2 axle, 6 flat cars 2 axle, 10 flat cars 4 axle and 2 tank cars 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	1030		1 train, 7 flat cars 2 axle, 1 flat car 4 axle, 3 tank cars 4 axle, 2 tank cars 2 axle and 12 boxcars 4 axle, all red.
		eastbound	1045		1 train, 7 flat cars 2 axle, 12 boxcars 4 axle and 21 boxcars 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	1200		1 train, 2 flat cars 4 axle, 1 tank car 4 axle and 21 boxcars 4 axle, all red.
		westbound	1330		1 train, 5 tank cars 2 axle, 47 tank cars 4 axle, all red and 1 white tank car 4 axle.
		eastbound	1430		1 train, 18 red boxcars 4 axle.
		westbound	1435		1 train, 1 flat car 4 axle, 6 flat cars 2 axle, 1 tank car 2 axle, 8 boxcars 4 axle and 16 boxcars 2 axle, all red.

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20/8/53 (Cont'd)	Rail	eastbound	1550		1 train, 2 locomotives, 30 tank cars 4 axle and 20 tank cars 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	1600		1 train, 1 flat car 4 axle, 6 tank cars 4 axle and 7 tank cars 2 axle, all red.
		westbound	1700		1 train, 28 flat cars 2 axle and 1 boxcar 2 axle, all red.
	Road	Post-i-Shurjeh to Dushak	0440		1 black army truck.
		North to Dushak	0510		1 army truck.
		Dushak to North	0530		1 army truck.
		Dushak to Post-i-Khojeh	0800		1 army truck.
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1030		1 army truck.
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1035		1 army truck.
		Serakhs to Dushak	1100		1 army truck.
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1230		1 army truck.
Dushak to Kaakha		1500		1 army truck.	
North to Dushak		1520		1 army truck.	
Dushak to Tedzhend	1617		1 army truck.		
Serakhs to Dushak	1630		1 green army jeep.		

The extra large white boxcars reported during this period are about twice the size of the regular 4 axle boxcar.

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2. The following is a tabulation for the period of time covered by this report, and includes daily averages of the preceding months.

	<u>RAILROAD</u>			<u>VEHICULAR</u>			
	<u>East</u>	<u>West</u>		<u>East</u>	<u>West</u>	<u>North</u>	
	<u>Trains</u>	<u>Cars</u>		<u>Trains</u>	<u>Cars</u>		
3 Aug.	5	188	4 1 locomotive	138	3	3	1 2
4 Aug.	5	195	4 1 locomotive	148	2	3	- 2
5 Aug.	5	159	4	109	3	3	- 3
9 Aug.	5	202	4 2 locomotives	144	3	4	4 2
10. Aug.	5	195	4 2 locomotives	89	2	2	1 2
11 Aug.	3 1 locomotive	150	4 2 locomotives	86	2	3	1 1
12 Aug.	4	114	4 1 locomotive	194	2	4	2 1
13 Aug.	7	180	6	174	6	7	6 2
20 Aug.	5	192	8	276	4	3	1 4

NOTE: Wind and dust storms prevented observation on 1 and 2 August, ~~3 and 4 August~~ 6 thru 8 August, 14 thru 19 August and 21 August was a religious holiday.

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August	5	175	5	151	3	4	2	2
July	4	162	4	135	2	3	1	2
June	4	150	5	154	2	2	1	2
May	4	165	4	105	2	3	1	2
April	3	124	4	128	3	2	1	2
March	3	111	5	147	3	3	1	1